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**Memorandum**

**To:** Intermediate School District Superintendents  
Intermediate School District Directors of Special Education

**From:** Jacquelyn J. Thompson, Ph.D., Director  
Office of Special Education and Early Intervention Services

**Subject:** Continuous Improvement & Monitoring System *Webinar*

**cc:** Intermediate School District Monitors of Special Education

On August 5, 2005, you received information of an upcoming webinar regarding the Special Education Continuous Improvement & Monitoring System (CIMS). This webinar will be offered on Thursday, August 18, 2005, from 12:45 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

The purpose of this webinar is to introduce you to the fundamentals of the newly designed CIMS process being implemented this fall for school year 2005-2006. The webinar will utilize a conference call, and a PowerPoint presentation available to you on the Internet. The webinar will be facilitated by Kathy Barker.

To participate in this webinar, **call 1-877-326-2337**; your conference identification number is **2799716**. At the same time, log on to the PowerPoint resource at [www.raindance.com](http://www.raindance.com), click on **Join a Call/Meeting** (tan colored bar), scroll down to **Join Call** and follow directions for name, email and conference ID number, using the same identification number above. If for any reason you cannot get on the Raindance website, the slides are also posted on the CIMS website at [www.cenmi.org/cims](http://www.cenmi.org/cims), but will not be interactive. For your convenience, the webinar slide presentation will remain available with viewing only capacity at the CIMS website.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Hatch at [hatchc@mi.gov](mailto:hatchc@mi.gov) or by phone at 517-335-0465.

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